New Steps Pertaining to Basic Drugs

868. SHRIMATI KAMLA SINHA : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Government propose to emphasise on quality control and incentives for the manufacture of basic drugs under its new drug policy ; and

(b) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ELECTRONICS AND THE DEPARTMENT OF OCEAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO) : (a) to (b) Aspects relating to quality control and incentives for the manufacture of drugs from the basic stage are also the subject matter of review of Drug Policy, 1986 on which a discussion has already taken place in the House on 18th, 19th and 23rd August, 1993.

Compensation to Bhopal Gas Victims

869. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether legal heirs of those who suffered impairment in the Bhopal Gas tragedy and died later, will be eligible for compensation in view of the Judgement given by the Commissioner of Gas Victims;

(b) if so, what is the total of such cases pending at present in this regard ;

(c) after the Judgement in how many cases claims were received and compensation was paid to the legal heirs ;

(d) what is the number of applications under process at present; and

(e) by when all the legal heirs are likely to be provided compensation ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ELECTRONICS AND DEPARTMENT OF OCEAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (d) 6829 cases.

(c) and (e) According to the information furnished by the office of the Welfare Commissioner, after the judgement and upto 22-11-1993 the compensation paid was Rs. 6,54,59,750 in 605 cases. Efforts are being made to provide compensation in the remaining cases as quickly as possible.

Controlled and Decontrolled Medicines

870. SHRI SATYA PRAKASH MALAVIYA :

SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH :

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have made any study to know the open market prices of the medicines decontrolled in 1986 ;

(b) if so, what are the detail thereof stating the percentage of rise in the prices of the decontrolled medicines since 1986 ;

(c) whether it is a fact that Government have decided to minimise the number of controlled medicines :

(d) whether it is also a fact that it is compulsory for every drug manufacturing company to manufacture 70 per cent medicines from some of its products of category Ist and IInd of controlled medicines :

(e) if so, whether Government are aware that most of the drug manufacturing companies are not adhering to it and have stopped manufacturing such medicines ; and

(f) if so, what steps have been taken by Government in this regards ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE

IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ELECTRONICS AND DEPARTMENT OF OCEAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) and (b) No, Sir. However, sharp increases in the prices of medicines which are outside the purview of price control under Drugs (Prices Control) Order, 1987 are monitored.

(c) Various aspects relating to price control are subject matter of the review of the Drug Policy 1986 which was discussed in the House on August 18, 19 and 23, 1993.

(d) No, Sir.

(e) and (f) Do not arise.

Sale of IDPL Units

871. SHRI SURESH KALMADI:
SHRI GOVINDRAO RAMRAJ ADIK:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether attention of Government has been drawn to the news item published in the Financial Express of the 23rd November, 1993 under the Caption "Sale of IDPL units" imminent; and

(b) if so, what is Government's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICAL AND FERTILIZERS WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTRY OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ELECTRONICS AND DEPARTMENT OF OCEAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. No proposal for sale of the Madras and Muzaffarpur Units of Indian Drugs & Pharmaceuticals Limited (IDPL) is under consideration at this stage.

किसानों को उर्वरकों पर राज सहायता

872. **श्री राम नरेश यादव : क्या प्रधान मंत्री** यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) किसानों को वर्ष 1991-92 और 1992-93 के दौरान उर्वरकों पर कितनी राशि की राजसहायता दी गई और वर्ष 1993-94 के लिए कितनी धनराशि मंजूर की गई है ;

(ख) गत तीन वर्षों के दौरान उर्वरकों की प्रतिटन उत्पादन-लागत क्या थी; और

(ग) किसानों को उर्वरकों के लिए प्रति टन कितनी राशि की राजसहायता प्रदान की गई ?

रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री तथा संसदीय कार्य मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री और इलैक्ट्रानिकी और महासागर विकास विभाग में राज्य मंत्री का अतिरिक्त प्रभार (श्री एडुआर्डो फलेरियो) : (क) किसानों को नियंत्रित उर्वरकों की बिक्री स्थानीय करों को छोड़ कर देश भर में सांविधिक रूप से अधिसूचित मूल्यों पर की जाती है । उर्वरक आर्थिक सहायता योजना के अन्तर्गत सरकार द्वारा अनुमानित उत्पादन के लागत की तुलना में बिक्री के जरिये अपेक्षाकृत कम प्राप्ति के लिए निर्माताओं को प्रतिपूर्ति दी जाती है । इसी तरह नियंत्रित आयातित उर्वरकों के मामले में किसानों से लिये जाने वाले बिक्री मूल्य और आयातों की लागत के मध्य अंतर को सरकार द्वारा वहन किया जाता है । गत दो वर्षों के दौरान सरकार द्वारा भुगतान/वहन की गई उर्वरक आर्थिक सहायता निम्नानुसार थी :—

	(रु० करोड़)
1991-92 . .	4799.60
1992-93 . .	5799.99

इसके अलावा 1991-92 और 1992-93 के दौरान कृषि मंत्रालय द्वारा क्रमश: 405.00 करोड़ रु० के और 340 करोड़ रु० के बजट प्रावधान के साथ उर्वरकों पर कुछ विशेष आर्थिक